

REMARKS

The application filed on December 29, 2000 included one claim, i.e., claim 1. Applicants respectfully request amendment of the application to amend claim 1 and add new claims 2-52 recited above. Claim 1 is not amended for a reason related to the statutory requirements for a patent. Claim 1 is amended to correct a minor typographical error. After entry of the foregoing amendments, the application includes claims 1-52.

Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-52 are patentable. Consequently, Applicants respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and pass claims 1-52 to allowance.

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE TO CLAIMS

1. (Once Amended) A system for intellectual property development, marketing, and maintenance, the system comprising:

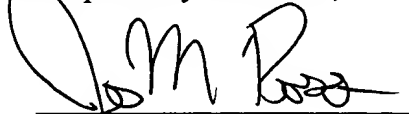
an intellectual property marketing system to manage ~~the~~ marketing of an intellectual property asset, the intellectual property asset based at least in part on an innovation submission of an innovator; and

an innovation maintenance management system to manage rewarding and incentivizing of the innovator based at least in part on the innovation submission, the innovation maintenance management system being coupled to the intellectual property marketing system.

CONCLUSION

The application presently contains claims 1-52. Applicants respectfully submit that the foregoing claims patentably define embodiments of the present invention. A prompt notice of allowance is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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